

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1199
By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Virginia Rae Shaw, 2004
Valedictorian of Columbia Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Rae Shaw is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Columbia Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Shaw has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Virginia Shaw has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, a stellar scholar, Miss Shaw has served with distinction as the Executive Director of Pride Television and was selected as her school's Alternate Delegate to Girls' State; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young lady has earned numerous accolades during her high school career, including the prestigious Daughters of the American Revolution Award; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs, Virginia has been a member of the National Honor Society, Youth Leadership Maury, Mu Alpha Theta, Interact, Beta Club and Pep Club; and

WHEREAS, evidencing a strong commitment to public service at an early age, Virginia has volunteered her time and considerable talents in support of numerous worthy civic and charitable projects; and

WHEREAS, a student at the Columbia Dance Academy, she is also very active with the First Baptist Youth Group; and

WHEREAS, Miss Shaw's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success in college and throughout life; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Shaw's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that Virginia Rae Shaw, 2004 Columbia Central High School Valedictorian, is hereby honored and commended on her impressive academic achievement. We extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.